

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A server system 10 receives a purchase request of a selected commodity from a user computer 40 and specifies a commodity price of the selected commodity. The server system 10 also receives 5 a trade-in request of a used article and quotation requirement information, which is required for quotation of the used article, from the user computer 40 and determines a trade-in quote of the used article, based on the received quotation requirement information. The server system 10 sets a deduction of the 10 selected commodity, which is to be subtracted from the specified commodity price of the selected commodity, according to the trade-in quote of the used article thus determined, subtracts the setting of the deduction from the specified commodity price of the selected commodity to calculate a difference, and sends 15 the calculated difference as an amount payable to the user computer 40. The server system 10 of the invention automatically subtracts the setting of the deduction from the specified commodity price of the selected commodity and sends the calculated difference as the amount payable to the user. This 20 arrangement simplifies the whole procedures, compared with a prior art system that requires the user to separately pay the purchase price of the selected commodity and receive the trade-in price of the used article. Namely the arrangement of the

**invention ensures the user-friendly sales of commodities and trade-in of used articles.**